



VARIETY SHOW—Performers are the Three Flips and a Flop (left to right) Ronnie Kendall, guitarist; Arthur Grant, Tony Felix, and Larry Melton. The Variety Show will be given at Torrance High School. Called "The Rehearsal," the show

will be performed January 27 and 28 at 8 p.m. in the school auditorium. Show is directed by George Knights and student director John Alter.

### Dan Sanchez Wins Speech Contest

"Khrushchev's weapons are our apathy and decay," Harbor College speech student Daniel Sanchez told an audience of students, faculty members, and judges at the recent San Pedro Toastmasters International speech contest, held semiannually at the college.

In his winning speech, which dealt with the contest theme, "Challenge: America Faces the Future," Sanchez went on to say that America has always met her challenges in the past, and she will not fail to meet those that face her now.

A geology major, Sanchez, plans to continue his college work at Long Beach State after graduating from Harbor. An experienced public speaker and the winner of numerous speech awards, he will present his speech again next Thursday evening at the trophy dinner to be given by the Toastmasters Club.

Theme of challenge to America was further discussed by the four other contest speakers, Ron Skyers and Leroy Harrison agreed that we are free now but expressed concern over the continuance of our freedom in the future.

Skyers stressed individual freedom and pointed out that we must be constantly on the watch for signs that indicate our failure. Harrison emphasized the fact that we are always responsible for our own actions.

"America is always growing and maturing, and the challenges of today are not the same as those of the past," stated contestant Lynn Welch in summarizing her interpretation of the contest theme. Marge Karow stressed the spreading and preserving of democracy.

Contest judges were Terry Croskrey, Ernie Ehrke, and Virgil Mazza, all members of the Toastmasters Club, which sponsors the contest for two principal reasons—to give experience in public speaking to the participants, and to give able speakers to the community.



SPEECH CONTEST WINNER of Harbor College is Dan Sanchez (right). Sponsored by the Toastmasters at the college, Dan is congratulated by (left) Terry Croskey, president of the San Pedro Toastmasters Club. Club presented Sanchez with an individual trophy and will have his name inscribed on the permanent plaque shown at lower right.

### Torrance Resident Retires

Roland Willett, 1450 216th St., Torrance, retired the first of the year from Shell Oil Company's Wilmington-Dominguez Refinery after 31 years of service, according to the announcement of Refinery Manager G. C. Montgomery.

During Willett's three decades of Shell service he has worked in the Distilling for four years and the remaining time in the Engineering Department. Since 1943 he has worked as a mechanic no. 1-rigger.

Willett and his wife will continue to maintain their Torrance home after retirement.

### Civil Service Preparation Class Slated

Civil Service Preparation will again be offered by Gardena Adult School, 1301 W. 182nd St., in the Spring Semester, starting January 30. The class will meet each Monday and Wednesday evening from 7 to 9:30.

Instruction will include the Fundamentals of Arithmetic, English Grammar, Spelling, Punctuation, and Capitalization. Also, time will be devoted to a review of office procedures and basic facts, knowledge and skills for Civil Service positions.

The Adult Office is open from 1 to 10 p.m. for additional information or enrollment. A Schedule of Spring Classes may be obtained by calling DA 3-2686.

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### 'The Rehearsal' to Be Presented By Torrance High School Students

Torrance High School will present its annual Variety Show on Friday, January 27, and Saturday, January 28, at 8 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

This year's show entitled, "The Rehearsal," promises to be superior entertainment for both students and adults. Performance will be a vaudeville type presentation gathering together the finest talent and acts on the school's campus. The production gets off to a hilarious start by depicting the common fear that time has slipped by and performance dates forgotten, and the show must go on without the usual dress rehearsal.

After a period of auditioning, the following students and their acts were selected for this annual school event: Marilyn Holcomb, Judy Minor, Sue Larson, Nancy Hornbeck, Anna Blount, Sharon Murphy, Karen Henderson, Sharon Clark, Roxanne Barnard, Sharon Radi, Marell Cook, Judy McTea, Sandie Crabtree, Carol Echols, Alan

Hay, Jim Dawson, Mike Hadley, Ed Foster, and David Wright.

Bill Waterman, Betty Kautto, Kathleen Whitney, Linda Kidner, Sandie Baker, Merle Korpi, Art Badger, Larry Flagg, Greg Simmons, Ron Dutton, Bob Bauman, Dale Stitt, Kathy McGuire, Sharon Knapp, Jerry Roberts, Carol Waggoner, Jane Strohm, Marjorie Winter, Jimmie Ruth Lawrence, Barbara Scherer, Georgiann McLean, Gwen Pickutowski, Diane Gunlock, Jan Plantz, Linda Kraegel, Art Grant, Ronnie Kendall, Tony Felix, and Larry Melton.

Variety Show is under the direction of Mr. George Knights and student director, John Alter.

The general public is invited to attend the performances. Tickets can be purchased in advance from members of the cast or at the door the evening of the performance.

### North High School Forensic Team Set For Debate Tournament at Claremont

North High School, Torrance, will be among the 43 southland high schools competing next month in the first Claremont Men's College High School Championship Debate Tournament. It was announced by Russell Jungers, president of the college Forensic Society and director of the tournament. Prof. Herbert W. Hoskins Jr., assistant professor of English and public speaking at the college, is faculty advisor.

Scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 4, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., the tournament will be held in McKenna Auditorium on the campus. Topic is the official national high school debate question for spring, 1961: "Resolved, that the United Nations should be substantially strengthened."

Judging of finalists will be done by Dr. George C. S. Benson, president of Claremont Men's college; Prof. Hoskins, and Dr. Howard H. Martin, associate professor of speech, Pomona College.

Pre-final judges will be Dr. Harold F. McClelland, assistant professor of economics; Dr. William S. Stokes, professor of comparative political institutions; Dr. Peter H. Rohn, assistant professor of international relations, all of Claremont, and Dr. Richard Armour, professor of English at Scripps College.

Eight individual trophies

will be awarded to the four top teams in the tournament. First place team will receive the tournament's revolving trophy which must be defended at year's tournament. In addition certificates of excellence and superiority will be awarded.

### Youth Leaders Workshop Slated

A crafts workshop for leaders of youth groups is planned January 25 under auspices of the Torrance Recreation Department.

The class is slated for 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at the Arts & Crafts Center in Sea-Aire Park, 22730 Lupine Drive.

Persons planning to attend are urged to register with the department since enrollment

is limited. Registration fee is 50 cents per person to cover the cost of materials and a crafts booklet.

The class is designed to help leaders of Scout units and similar groups plan their crafts programs.

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### Fifth Series of Questions and Answers Tells of Tooth Decay

This is the fifth in a series of questions and answers on dental health published by The Torrance Press, in cooperation with the Harbor District Dental Society in observance of National Children's Dental Health Week February 5 through 11.

#### DOES A DECAYED TOOTH EVER HEAL ITSELF?

No, it does not. Once a cavity has formed, the only way it can be repaired is by a dentist, who removes the decayed part and places a restoration in the tooth. If the tooth is not restored, the decay process continues until, eventually, the tooth must be removed.

#### IS IT TRUE THAT PRIMITIVE PEOPLE DON'T HAVE TOOTH DECAY?

Many primitive peoples have a much lower rate of tooth decay than do Americans and Western Europeans. For instance, the teeth of the Eskimos were almost completely free from decay until they were introduced to so-called civilized foods, such as sugar and other refined carbohydrates. Now their decay rate is nearly as high as that of any "civilized nation."

Apparently what makes the difference, as far as the decay rate is concerned, is not the degree of civilization but the diet eaten. Those primitive people who eat diets low in sweets have less tooth decay.

Also, usually so called uncivilized people eat many "de-

tergent" foods, that is foods that require thorough chewing, during which they sweep over the teeth. Eating such foods helps keep the mouth clean and provides the muscles used for chewing with the exercise they need.

Modern man tends to eat instead foods that require little chewing and tend to cling to the teeth. He must, therefore, use a toothbrush to keep his mouth clean.

#### WHY DO TEEN-AGERS HAVE MORE TOOTH DECAY THAN PEOPLE OF ANY OTHER AGE GROUP?

Scientists do not yet have all the facts, but they do have a pretty good idea.

Perhaps one reason is the teen-agers tend to eat unbalanced diets high in sweets. While eating a good diet won't prevent tooth decay, the right foods should be general health, including the health of the mouth tissues. And high consumption of sweets is definitely one of the causes of a high rate of tooth decay. Bacteria in the mouth turn the sugar to acid, which attacks the enamel of the teeth. Eventually these attacks result in decay.

Sometimes teen-agers think that regular toothbrushing is one of the things they did as children that are no longer important. It is important, all through their lives. Brushing after eating, to remove particles, especially sugar, lodged between the teeth prevents mouth bacteria from changing the sugar to acid.

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### Courses to Be Added for New NIT Quarter

Advanced courses in engineering mathematics will be added to the curriculum of the night classes of Northrop Institute of Technology at 1155 W. Arbor Vitae St., Inglewood starting with the opening of the spring quarter March 27. It was announced today by Dean of Engineering Kenneth L. Strite.

These classes will be held twice a week from 7 to 9 o'clock and will be added to the regular night program that features liberal arts and social sciences as well as other engineering courses. The new mathematics courses should be especially attractive to engineers employed in Southern California who already have freshman and sophomore college instruction in physics and calculus.

The two nights a week classes in electronic theory will specialize in electrical network analysis, electronic circuits and advanced engineering mathematics.

Dean Strite points out that it is not necessary for the prospective students to have completed their freshman and sophomore years at Northrop Tech in order to enroll in

### North Torrance Lions Attend Convention

Members of the North Torrance Lions Club who will be attending the convention at Sacramento include: Nelson Cullum, president; Le Roy Forsythe and Earl Chambers, delegates; Gene Brown, secretary; and Archie Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben McLayne will be at the convention in capital city. He is past president of the North Torrance Lions.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Chambers flew to San Francisco a day early and will join the others at the convention on the opening day.

The group will be returning home early this week.

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